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SUBJECT Conditions of Release for Officer and Nazi
Internees who had been in PW Camps in the USSR

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all of the officers here were sent, last winter, to a camp near Moscow. Treatment at the latter camp was good and the food adequate; a typical breakfast for officers consisted of 300 grams of white bread, 30 grams of sugar, and 20-30 grams of butter. Enlisted men were given less sugar and no butter for breakfast, but did get soup. Dinner and supper consisted of a thick soup with meat. Officers up to the rank of Lt. Colonel were forced to work, usually within the camp, and to fulfill certain quotas. There was, for example, a large tailoring shop in the camp where German tailors made suits and dresses for Russians, using war-booty materials. On the whole, officers were well treated, although they were not allowed to send or receive mail. The captain states that officers up to the grade of captain, if sick or over fifty-five years of age, have now been released, but no officers above that rank have as yet been released, regardless of their age or the state of their health.

2. Another officer, who had been in the Wehrmacht and who is fifty-five years of age, was released by the Russians in August 1946 because of physical disability. He had been captured by the Red Army in Berlin in May 1945 and sent to Camp 437 in Tcherepovec. He was one of a shipment of 1800 men who were returned to Germany early in August. The trip from Tcherepovec to Frankfurt/Oder lasted twelve days, during which [REDACTED] his train passed several shipments of German PW's who had been released from U.S. captivity and who were now enroute to Russia to replace the PW's who are being released.

3. [REDACTED] an interview with two former NSDAP members who were arrested by the MVD in June 1945, in Pulsnitz, and who were released, during August, from captivity in Russia. Both of these men have dropsy, one weights only 92 pounds, and they report that other political internees from their town have died. The Russians had made no report of these deaths to the families of these concerned.

4. [REDACTED] states that he was in Camp 276/01, 300 kilometers east of Moscow. He states that ten men have recently been released from this camp, of whom three were blind, five had dropsy, and two were amputees.

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5. [REDACTED] had been in a camp in the Urals. There, he states, the PW's were employed building barracks for the use of mine workers, all of whom were political exiles or members of the Vlassov Army.

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